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SUBJECT: OAU SECRETARIAT STATEMENT ON TALKS WITH SMITH IN PRETORIA

REF: LUSAKA 1259

OAU SECRETARIAT ISSUED STATEMENT JULY 4. STATEMENT TRIGGERED
BY RUMORS THAT ZIMBABWE AFRICAN NATIONAL COUNCIL IS PROPOSING TO
HOLD CONSTITUTIONAL CONFERENCE IN PRETORIA WITH THE IAN SMITH
RHODESIAN MINORITY REGIME. STATEMENT (COPY BEING POUCHEDE DEPT.)
SAYS THAT "IF RUMORS (OF SUCH TALKS) WERE TO BE TRUE, OAU WOULD
CONSIDER IT (TALKS) AS AN UNQUESTIONABLE CAPITULATION ON THE PART
OF THE ZIMBABWE NATIONALISTS." TO TALK TO IAN SMITH UNDER THE
AEGIS OF VORSTER IS NOT ONLY CONTRARY TO THE DAR ES SALAAM
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DECLARATION, BUT ALSO RISKS LEAVING THE IMPRESSION THAT THE

LEADERS OF ZIMBABWE ARE PREPARED TO RENEGOTIATE THE NON-NEGOTIABLE
PRINCIPLES OF MAJORITY RULE IN THE SHORT OR MEDIUM TERM FUTURE.
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